City of Las Vegas

Agenda Item No.: 33.

AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE **CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: MARCH 7. 2007**

DEPARTMENT: NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES Consent Discussion **DIRECTOR: STEPHEN HARSIN SUBJECT:** Approval of an additional allocation of up to \$152,817 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to the Blind Center of Nevada for an aggregate project total of \$1,152,817 to assist with the cost to rehabilitate the facility located at 1001 North Bruce – Ward 5 (Weekly) **Fiscal Impact** No Impact **Augmentation Required Budget Funds Available Amount:** \$152,817 **Funding Source:** CDBG Dept./Division: Neighborhood Services/Neighborhood Development

PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

On February 15, 2006, City Council approved the allocation of \$1,000,000 in CDBG funds to the Blind Center of Nevada to assist with the cost of bringing the Tait Building in compliance with current building codes and ADA requirements. The project is near completion and the budget has substantially increased due to additional code requirements discovered during construction. The Blind Center is requesting this supplementary funding to complete the project. The Blind Center assists blind and visually impaired persons of all ages in reaching their highest physical, social, intellectual and economic potential.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the additional funds up to \$152,817 for this Blind Center of Nevada project and authorize the Mayor to execute the same and all agreements and documents required following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

- 1. Letter from the Blind Center dated January 18, 2007
- 2. Submitted after meeting Executed First Amendment to CDBG Agreement

Motion made by GARY REESE to Approve Items 12-57

Passed For: 6; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0 LARRY BROWN, LOIS TARKANIAN, STEVE WOLFSON, OSCAR B. GOODMAN, GARY REESE, STEVEN D. ROSS; (Against-None); (Abstain-None); (Did Not Vote-None); (Excused-None)